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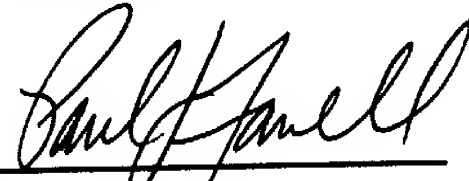
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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 8, 2002 (the "Office Action"), applicants respectfully submit this response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 in order to request reconsideration of the final rejection.

REMARKS

Claims 1-13 are pending. Claims 1-5 and 7-13 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being rendered obvious over Fickel et al. U.S. Patent No. 4,454,198 ("Fickel et al.") in view of U.S. Patent No. 4,276,179 ("Soehngen") and U.S. Patent No. 2,367,384

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